

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson Title: "The Philippian Christians."

Lesson Text: Phil. 1:1-11; 4:1-9.

Golden Text: "Whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." Phil. 4:8.

### I. Reviews.

Reviews are of value. The old soldier and the nation will not forget the review of the troops at Washington after the war was over. Chicago remembers the 40,000 foreigners in line to protest against closing the saloon on Sunday. New York recalls the recent preparedness parade. A thousand communities remember the march of the Sunday School hosts and its significance for citizenship.

There are other valuable reviews, some mental, others spiritual. The student is better for the drill on work he has gone over. Tests are trying but useful. A spiritual review is a sort of stock taking in character, in ideals, in great principles.

Quarterly reviews of the Sunday School lessons enable us to see the relation of events and teachings to one another and to life. Such reviews enable us to carry out Paul's fine injunction to the Philippian church:

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, THINK on these things!"

### II. Paul, the Traveler

Paul was an eager traveler. Travel is a great educator. Seed is sown in travel, and no one can tell where the fruit will ripen! Paul knew the necessity of reaching the "regions beyond." They did not terrify him. They beckoned! He had his ears open to the call of "the man of Macedonia." For Paul, this man of his vision was ANY man in need of the Gospel, in need of help. So he went near or far to reach him.

What do you do on your travels? Just look at things, spend your money, grumble at your accommodations, keep away from folks, and ooze selfishness, pretense and pride? Study the actions of Paul, the traveler. Think of the accommodations with which he put up. Think how independently he earned his way. Think of the motive of it all—to tell of his Master, Jesus Christ!

### III. The Beginnings of the Church

Beginnings are always interesting and important. Have you followed the steps by which the church arrived? The record is written in biography, in the lives of the men and women of that early day. Study their principles, their changes of thought, and you can account for the development of church organization. What is your ideal of church government? Is it like the apostolic church? How can it be improved to meet modern conditions? Is the church rightly organized to do its work today? Is it under officered? Is too much or too little expected of the minister? Shall there be a church office? And secretary? What equipment do you furnish your church?

### IV. Christ's World Vision

Why did it take the church so long to get Christ's world vision? Are we as slow today? Why did the Jew hinder opening the door to the Gentile? Why seek to impose restrictions upon him? Today the great war in Europe has turned our attention directly to many races. We are trying, as we are in duty bound to do, to help them in their suffering. Our interest has broadened and we are thinking in terms of Christian service. Christian America ought to pour millions of money into Europe for relief. It can afford to do so. It would be better than to spend the money on battleships and guns. The latter create hatreds while the former creates right feeling, friendliness, a sense of true neighborliness. If we are to fulfill our Lord's command and evangelize the world, we Christians must dominate the sentiment and action of our own nation towards others and not be spent from our feet by propaganda for an unnecessary and over-balanced preparedness.

May Succeed Kitchener.



Field Marshal Sir John French.

Advices from London report that Field Marshal Sir John French will be chosen successor to Lord Kitchener as Secretary for War. It is believed that an offer already has been conveyed to Field Marshal Lord French, who has had several conferences with the Premier.

## JUPITER PLANET WITH NINE MOONS

MOST BRILLIANT STAR OF THE SKIES HAS MANY SATELLITES

'Wanderers' of the Celestial Family Appear to Advantage Now

Jupiter is by far the most interesting thing to study in the skies now. Even an opera glass or small telescope will bring to light one or two of his moons. For a long time he was credited with having only four satellites, but he is now known to have at least nine—the latest one having been discovered only last year.

In fact Jupiter and his family of little moons presents almost a model of our solar system—Jupiter himself representing the sun, and his moons representing the planets. The largest satellite is calculated to be about 3,700 miles in diameter, or say a little over half as big as our moon.

Think of living on a planet where, instead of having only one moon as we do, which gives good light only a fraction of the time, there would be at least nine moons, of varying sizes and distances, all coursing around the sky at different speeds. It must puzzle the astronomers on Jupiter, if there are any there, to keep track of the movements of all these moons. And we must remember that there may be other moons which our telescopes have not yet picked up.

While the clock hour hand makes two revolutions in the twenty-four hours, the sky makes one. By remembering this fact and familiarizing yourself with the stars you can tell time roughly by looking at the heavens at night.

Of course when we speak of the sky "revolving" we mean only that it revolves in relation to the earth; as everyone knows, it is really the earth that is rotating, but it is simpler to think of the sky as turning. The pivot point of the skies is the north star, whose position above the northern horizon is just equal to the latitude of your location.

The planets are not shown on star maps, for the reason that their position is constantly changing. At present the planet Jupiter is the most brilliant object in the heavens, after the sun and moon, but it will not be found on the map.

East of Andromeda is the little triangle of stars in Aries. Further east, nearer the horizon, the very brilliant groups which characterize the winter skies are just coming on the scene; they will be seen to much better advantage later in the year. A little further round to the northeast is the constellation Auriga, with its brilliant yellow star Capella. Between Auriga and the zenith is the constellation perseus, containing the wonderful variable star Algol, which is much brighter at some periods than at others.

Close to the northern horizon now is Ursa Major, or the Great Bear—the big dipper, as it is popularly known. The two "pointer" stars of this constellation as we know, point to polaris or the north star. The north star is not precisely at the pole, but it is near enough for practical purposes. It forms the end of the tail of the Little Bear, or Little Dipper as many call it.

Between the pole star and the zenith, within the Milky Way, is the brilliant little group of Cassiopeia, sometimes called the Lady's Chair. Toward the northwest is the triangular group of Lyra, with its bright silver star Vega. Close to it, somewhat higher up, is a similar triangle, with another brilliant star, called Deneb.

In the west is the bright star Altair which is the uccen. A little higher toward the zenith is the Dolphin, a diamond shaped little group which some people know as Job's Coffin. Near by is another interesting little group called Sagitta or the Arrow—this being, according to the mythology of the skies, the ar-

## The Reward of Thrift

The thriftlessness so characteristic of Americans concentrated in cities is becoming quite as common in farming communities and this fact has caused much alarm among those who note the signs of the times and seek reasons and remedies for certain existing conditions.

In the twenty-five States which produce most of the perishable products the grain, and the cotton of this country there are 2,500,000 tenant farmers. In the last ten years in Texas and Oklahoma the percentage of increase in tenant farming over the increase in land-owning farmers has been two to one. In Alabama, Arkansas, Tennessee, Georgia, Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi, South Carolina, Missouri, Kentucky, Indiana, Nebraska, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota and California there has been an increase since 1880 of 994,361 tenant farmers, while land-owning farmers have increased only 606,755. In Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania, tenant farmers have increased by 121,167, while the number of home-owning farmers have decreased by 62,915.

This is alarming for the rural communities when we consider that out of 2,354,676 tenant farmers in the United States at the time of the last census, 2,188,586 were found in these twenty-five states.

The Right Hon. Andrew Fisher, ex-prime minister of Australia, who went to London recently to take up the duties of high commissioner for the commonwealth, is fifty-four years of

age and began life as a pit boy with his father, who was a working collier in Kilmarnock, Scotland. He practically educated himself. When he was 31, he entered Queensland parliament. He steadily climbed the ladder of success, culminating in his appointment as prime minister of Australia in 1910. Men like Andrew Fisher never wait until middle life to begin their economies. They learn to deprive themselves so that they may have independence, and they do not waste even their time, but improve it, so that when the opportunity presents itself they will be ready to fill the place of the "man higher up."

George B. Cox of Cincinnati, who died recently, rose from bootblack, newsboy and butcher boy. In the last interview he gave to the public, he attributed his financial success to his early habits of thrift. He said:

"From the very first I knew what poverty meant, and for that very reason I began to save small amounts every week.

The first \$1,000 I ever possessed I saved in small amounts. It took years to do it, and it was the hardest money I ever earned, but it taught me the value of saving, for with it I got my start in life.

"When I grew too big to sell papers I became a butcher's boy at \$5 a week. I next became a wagon driver, and after I had saved a nest egg I became a salesman."

A few years ago his wealth was estimated at from \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000.

row which has just been shot at Aquila, the Eagle.

Coming around to the southwest, some observers who live well to the south can see Fornahaut as a rather brilliant star. This star is not generally visible to those living in the northern part of the country, owing to its being either below the southern horizon or lost in the haze near it.

Mars is nominally a morning star but he is working around so as to be seen before long in the evening. He is in the constellation Cancer and does not rise till near midnight. When found he can be distinguished by his characteristic reddish appearance.

Jupiter, the king of the celestial realm just now, is exceedingly brilliant. He is in the constellation Pisces and is thus in a very favorable position for observation at a convenient hour of the evening, being about half way up to the zenith and approximately south at the hours stated.

Saturn is in the constellation Gemini and does not rise until toward midnight.

The other two planets, Uranus and Neptune, have little popular interest as they are seen by more than one person out of a hundred thousand. Uranus, a very faint, greenish star, is in Capricornus. Neptune, which is totally invisible except in the largest telescopes, is in Cancer, not far from Mars.

## GIRLS KILL CHUM TO GET SAVINGS

WHEN BERLIN YOUNG WOMEN FIND ONLY \$10 THEY KILL HER JEWELRY AND CLOTHING

### "BASKET MURDER" MYSTERY

One Said to Have Declared they Wanted Their Friend's Money to "Finance" Soldier

Berlin—The Berlin detective force has, after weeks, solved the "Basket Murder Mystery." Two young women named Ullman and Sonnenberg have been arrested and are declared to have confessed to the murder of Martha Franke, their chum, for her supposed large savings. Finding that these amounted to only \$10, the Ullman and Sonnenberg girls, while the body still lay in the Ullman girl's house, raided their victim's lodgings, and sold to pawnbrokers and peddlers everything she possessed—jewelry, clothing and household effects.

Miss Ullman, 25 years old, conducted a hair dressing shop in the East End of Berlin in the absence of her sweetheart in the trenches. She is alleged to have declared that it was in order to finance him that she and Miss Sonnenberg decided to put Martha Franke out of the way.

Martha Franke lived with a girl named Bahl, the four women being chums, who made the Ullman place a business their headquarters.

One morning a letter forged by the Ullman and Sonnenberg girls, purporting to come from a barber named Schulz in Miss Ullman's employ arrived at the Franke and Bahl lodgings, inviting Miss Bahl of whom Miss Franke was very jealous to meet Schulz for coffee, at the Tauenzien Palace, a popular West End resort.

The two girls had thus planned to

insure Miss Franke's being at home alone when they should arrive for the purpose of killing her. But Miss Bahl had only left her home a few moments to keep the supposed appointment when Miss Franke arrived at the hairdressing shop. She was angry, and felt that Miss Bahl was "stealing Schulz's love." The Ullman and Sonnenberg girls encouraged her wrath, berated Miss Bahl and finally induced Miss Franke to sit down and calm herself over a cup of coffee in the sitting room.

Miss Franke after sitting down to coffee, was facing a wall. Miss Ullman paced up and down behind her with a razor poised so as to cut Miss Franke's throat just as she was about to drink coffee.

After this was done, Miss Sonnenberg threw a noose over the girl's neck, Miss Franke, choking and bleeding to death, fought her assailants, and gasped, "You shall not get my money after all." Miss Ullman then slashed the girl's wrist, almost cutting her hand off.

When the girl was dead the Ullman and Sonnenberg girls ripped open her bodice, knowing that she had been accustomed to carry her money around her neck in a pouch. It contained 20 mark notes. They carried the body to the bedroom, covered it, returned to their sitting room and partook of coffee.

Afterward they took a latchkey from the girl's dress, went to her home and unlocked it. Next day they packed the body into a traveling basket and expressed it as ordinary luggage to Stettin, marked "To be called for."

When the basket murder was discovered and solved after several weeks, the girls confessed that they had intended at first to shoot Miss Franke and had taken lessons in revolver shooting. Then, when they decided to use a razor, they perfected themselves in the handling of a razor and the tying of a stout noose.

### PUSHES BARROW 2,000 MILES

"Charley Five-Drops" Returns Home After Performing His Stunt

Shenandoah, Iowa.—C. P. Olson, known locally as "Charley Five-Drops," enjoys the distinction of having pushed a wheelbarrow more than 2,000 miles. Olson is a peculiar character, speaking four or five languages and possessing a knowledge of literature equal to that of most college professors. Yet he is a wanderer, without a home or any particular means of earning a livelihood.

He recently made a trip afoot to New Orleans, pushing his wheelbarrow.

Now he is back in this section, at present being at Essex.

### TWO WHEELED COASTER CYCLE

New Amusement Contrivance Soon to Appear

A coaster cycle soon to appear on the market and which may be manufactured at Elkhart, Ind., is equipped with two wheels and consists of a wood bar arrangement with a seat bar. The rider astride the machine, can propel it with both feet while the weight of the body rests on the seat bar.

This arrangement it is pointed out permits of hill coasting, something that is not possible with other types of coasters now on the market, and it can be made at a small cost.

### Teaches Employees to Shoot

A large Chicago corporation has installed a shooting gallery as part of its recreation equipment for employees.

## DEMOCRATS AGAIN PICK WILSON AS THEIR LEADER

St. Louis, Mo.—President Woodrow Wilson and Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall were nominated by acclamation as the standard bearers of the Democratic party in the coming national election. The convention finished its session when the platform was announced and accepted.

"I am very grateful to my generous friends," was the only statement President Wilson made when he was informed of the action of the Democratic leaders in again placing him at the head of the party ticket.

Although during the early days of the convention prospects of opposition to the naming of Vice-President Marshall as Wilson's mate loomed big, none developed Thursday night. In fact the delegates had hardly finished cheering the announcement that Wilson was re-nominated by acclamation when Chairman Ollie James announced Marshall's re-nomination.

"Woodrow Wilson, without orphan-

ing a single child, without widowing a single American mother, without firing a single gun, without the shedding of a single drop of blood, wrung from the most militant spirit that ever brooded above a battle field an agreement to American demands and a concession of American rights," was one of the many tributes Chairman James paid to the president, and this one set the convention cheering.

William Jennings Bryan, three times the standard bearer of the party and secretary of state in the president's cabinet until he tendered his resignation, delivered the principal address at the Thursday night session.

His speech was but a review of the achievements of the Democratic party since President Wilson took office and he was unstinted in his praise of the president. His many tributes to Wilson were greeted with storms of cheers.

## IMPORTANT PLANKS OF DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM

### Record of Achievement.

We indorse the administration of Woodrow Wilson. It speaks for itself. It is the best exposition of sound Democratic policy at home and abroad.

### Tariff.

We reaffirm our belief in the doctrine of a tariff for the purpose of providing revenue for the operation of the government, and unreservedly indorse the Underwood tariff laws as truly exemplifying that doctrine.

### Americanism.

We recognize the assertion and triumphant demonstration of the indivisibility and coherent strength of the nation as the supreme issue of this day, in which the whole world faces the crisis of manifold change. This is an issue of patriotism. To taint it with partisanship would be to devalue it.

### Preparedness.

We favor the maintenance of an army fully adequate to the requirements of order, of safety and of the protection of the nation's rights and a fixed policy for the continuous development of a navy worthy to support the great naval traditions of this nation.

### International.

We hold that it is the duty of the United States to use its power, not only to make itself safe at home, but also to make secure its just interests throughout the world and both for this end and in the interest of humanity to assist the world in securing settled peace and justice. We believe that the time has come when it is the duty of the United States to join with the other nations of the world in any feasible association that will effectively serve these principles, to maintain inviolate the complete security of the highway of the seas for the common and unhindered use of all nations.

### Woman Suffrage.

We recommend the extension of the franchise to the women of the country by the state upon the same terms as to men.

### Good Roads.

We favor national aid in the construction of postroads and roads for military purposes.

### Labor.

We declare our faith in the seaman's act. We favor the speedy enactment of an effective federal child labor law and the creation of a federal bureau of safety.

### Mexico.

Until by the restoration of law and order therein, and a repetition of such incursions (border town raids) is improbable, the necessity for their (American punitive expedition) remaining will continue.

### Alaska.

It is and has been the policy of the Democratic party to enact all laws necessary for the speedy development of Alaska and its great natural resources.

### Territories.

We favor granting to the people of Alaska, Hawaii and Porto Rico the traditional territorial government accorded to all territories of the United States since the beginning of our government and we believe the officials appointed to administer the government of those several territories should be qualified by previous bona fide residence.

### SCHOOL FOR SUBMARINE OFFICERS ESTABLISHED

Washington—Establishment of a new school at New London, Conn., for instruction of officers in the theories and practice of submarine operation has been announced by Secretary Daniels. The first class of officers will report July 1, for six months' training before they are assigned to duty with the under-water craft.

The plan was suggested by Rear Admiral Grant, chief of the submarine flotilla. Instruction will include careful preparation of the officers for the engine and battery difficulties they may expect to encounter with submarines.

A submerged oak forest covering several square miles, from which logs more than 100 feet in length have been taken was discovered by Russian engineers in dredging a river.

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